

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula ~~to perform transcutaneous biopsies of tissue, in particular hard tissue and bone marrow tissue using a biopsy material holding device that can be inserted insertable~~ into the a proximal end of a biopsy cannula and ~~is inserted between the an inner wall of a the~~ biopsy cannula and ~~the a~~ tissue-removing cylinder to perform transcutaneous biopsies of tissues, wherein said biopsy material holding device comprising a wire having a proximal end, a distal end and a tip at said distal end with bevelling arranged at the distal end, said wire having of said wire at a biopsy material holding device has a pre-stress angle arranged at the proximate end of the wire causing the wire including the wire tip to glide along the inner wall of the biopsy cannula when inserted into the biopsy cannula, a tip exerting a radial outward directed force on the inner wall of the biopsy cannula.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding

device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 1 further comprising a grip end, wherein the biopsy material holding device is made of a said wire is attached to a said grip end.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 1 wherein the biopsy material holding device is composed of further comprising a grip end with an attached extension shank, said and wherein a wire is being fastened to the shank.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 1 wherein the wire has a tip with a bevelling is at and the tip, said tip having with bevelling has a bevelling angle B of 5° to 85°, and is facing being adapted to face the biopsy material tissue-removing cylinder.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 1, wherein the bevelling of the wire is either hollow ground or bulged.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding

device for a biopsy cannula according to claim ± 2 wherein the said wire with a pre-stress angle is arranged at the center of the grip end, with the pre-stress angle being between 1° and 90°.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 1 wherein the wire has a length so that the wire reaches the distal end corresponds to that of the biopsy cannula when inserted in the biopsy cannula at ends at the latter's ending.

Claim 8 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim ± 2 wherein the grip end can be locked into the grip proximal end of the biopsy cannula.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 3 wherein the wire is firmly connected to the distal end of the shank and a said pre-stress angle is between 1° and 90° is provided, according to the specific application.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The biopsy material holding device for a biopsy cannula according to claim 3 wherein the

length of the wire is 25 mm and ends at the direct end of a known  
the biopsy cannula after insertion of the shank and locking of  
the grip end into the grip proximal end of the biopsy cannula.

Claims 11-12 (canceled).